# **CLTS NEWSLETTER**

FOND DU LAC COUNTY
CHILDREN'S LONG TERM SUPPORTS

## **CLTS NEWS**

## Mark Your Calendars.....

The Children's Long Term Support Parent Advisory Committee's (CLTS PAC) Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony will be held on Monday, April 6, 2009.



The regular Advisory Committee meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. followed by an informational speaker at 6:45 p.m. At 7:30 p.m. there will be an awards ceremony where the people you have selected will be

recognized for the difference they have made in the lives of children with disabilities. All are welcome.

The CLTS PAC continues to seek parents to join our committee. Your input is valuable! After the April meeting we will try changing the meeting time to afternoons to allow for participation by those of you who had difficulty with the evening schedule.

<u>Upcoming Advisory Committee meetings</u>: September 14, 2009 from 1:00-2:00 p.m. November 2, 2009 from 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Please contact your child's service coordinator if you would like to become a member or would like more information.



THINK SPRING!!

## County Website!!!

You can now access this newsletter, the Parent Resource List, and the summer camps guide on the county website at <a href="www.fdlco.wi.gov">www.fdlco.wi.gov</a>

Click on "Departments"
"N-Z"

"Social Services" and then "Children's Long Term Support Services."

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## **Upcoming Events**

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## THERAPEUTIC RECREATION/ SPECIAL OLYMPICS

ARC OF Fond du Lac offers occasional recreational programs as well as Special Olympics sporting events. The next youth event is scheduled for March 21, 2009.

An all day recreation group is offered on eight Fridays during the summer. Contact (920) 923-3810, or check out their website at <a href="https://www.arcfdl.org">www.arcfdl.org</a>

# 3rd Annual Dream Catchers Softball Game

Lakeside Park

Children ages 7-17 with any disability
(wheelchairs included)

Contact Renee Eckberg at (920)583-2024 or

reckberg@charter.net, to get on the
mailing list for information and a
registration form



West Bend Recreation Department offers a wide variety of year-round special needs sports programs including, but not limited to, Special Olympic events. This might be an option for those of you living in the southern end of the county. To view specific offerings go to <a href="https://www.ci.west-bend.wi.us/department/PRF/recreation\_division.htm">www.ci.west-bend.wi.us/department/PRF/recreation\_division.htm</a> Then click on "therapeutic recreation." You can also call (262) 335-5080.



Free S.P.I.R.I.T. Riders offers therapeutic horse riding to children and adults with disabilities. It's time to put your application in if you are interested in riding. More information and applications can be obtained by going to <a href="https://www.freespiritriders.org">www.freespiritriders.org</a> or calling (920) 924-9920.

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## **Upcoming Events continued**

#### TRAININGS:

FDL County and Beyond Autism Support Group Meetings				
Contact Sherry Behnke at (920) 923-5396 (h) OR (920) 721-4311 (w); or contact Julia Cartwright at (920) 923-3480 for more information. Meetings are from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Friendship Learning Center in North Fond du Lac.				
3/26/09	"Celebrating Families;" Vivian Hazel, Beyond the Boundaries of Autism			
4/30/09	"What Is Northeastern CYSHCN & How Can They Help My Child?"  (Children & Youth w/Special Health Care Needs) Christine Breunig, Program Administrator			
5/28/09	"Travel and Autism," Helpful Hints, Parent Panel			

April 25, 2009 "Navigating Our Way Through The Autism Journey" 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Community Church, Fond du Lac,WI Early Registration Deadline: April 10, 2009 (cost increases after this date)

Nationally known speaker Kristi Sakai will cover topics such as accepting the diagnosis, self-management tools, team building, parenting challenges, finding balance/family, home/school communication, sexuality-hidden curriculum. Registration forms can be obtained by contacting Lindee at the ARC at (920) 923-3810 ext. 126.

April 30—May 1, 2009 "There's No Place Like Home" Circles of Life Annual Conference Madison Marriott West, Middleton, WI Registration Deadline: March 27, 2009

More information can be obtained at <a href="www.wfv.org/circle">www.wfv.org/circle</a> or (608) 266-8276

This is a conference for families and providers covering a large variety of disability related topics. There is a separate tract for high school students with disabilities as well as one for siblings ages 7-15. A limited amount of scholarships are available and applications are due by March 13th. Contact John Shaw at (609) 266-7707 or <a href="mailto:john@elsieshaw.org">john@elsieshaw.org</a> for scholarship information.

Funding for conferences might be available through your child's service plan. Contact your child's service coordinator for more information.

## \*\*\*\*\* Want Ads \*\*\*\*\*

#### **Piano Students Wanted**



Melissa Martiros is a lecturer of music at UW Fond du Lac and a local piano teacher who is currently seeking students for her piano studio. Her graduate degrees are in piano pedagogy and special education. She has years of experience working with all children, including those with disabilities, and has been a therapist for the Wisconsin Early Autism Project for the past 3 years. If you have a child who has an interest in music and would like to inquire abut piano lessons, Melissa can be reached at (508) 951-3302, or email <a href="mailto:mmarti-ros@gmail.com">mmarti-ros@gmail.com</a> Lessons would take place in her home in Fond du Lac.

## 2009 WISCONSIN SUMMER CAMPS FOR YOUTH WITH DISABILITIES

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NAME	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	DATES	CONTACT
Camp Daniel	Christian camp for ages 8 or older with a physical or cognitive disability. \$315. campdaniel@campdaniel.org	Athelstane, WI	July 13- 18. 20 - 25 Aug 3 - 8. 10 - 15	715- 757-3880 Tony
Camp AweSum	Overnight camp for children ages 8 – 15 with autism. \$825.00. For high functioning youth with autism and Asperger's. www.campawesum.com	Moon Beach Camp St Ger- main, WI	June 21 – 26	Camp AweSum 1410 Birchwood Drive St. Germain, WI 54558 Camp Awe- sum@yahoo.com
Camp Gray	Full- week camp for youth (grades 2-12) with MILD disabilities. \$410. <u>Director@campgray.com</u>	Reedsburg, WI	June 14- August 14	800-711-4729
Camp Lu- WiSoMo	Ages 8-adult with developmental disabilities that can walk long distances and care for own hygiene. Not designed for campers who use wheelchairs.  camp@luwisomo.org	Wild Rose, WI	Various weeks June 7 – August 7	920-622-3350 Elizabeth
Camp Needle- point Daypoint	Activities in a safe, fun environment for youth with diabetes ages 8 –16. Helps campers gain independence. diabetes.org	YMCA Camp Hudson, WI		800-676-4065 ext. 6596
Camp P.O.P. (Parent Organized Project)	For youth ages of 5 – 21 with autism or cognitive disabilities but will consider other disabilities. Several field trips. Day camp only. \$250 per session.	Syble Hopp School DePere, WI	June 15- July 2 July 27 – Aug. 13	920- 532-6659 Donna Diamond
Camp Pow Wow	Residential and day camp serving campers with special needsarchcpw@ameritech.net	Menomonee Falls WI		262-542-9811
Camp Quest	For young adults ages 14-21 with all disabilities. Offers arts & crafts & recreational games. Limit of 25 campers. Financial assistance may be available. johnsonn@cilww.com	Fall Creek at Beaver Creek Reserve, WI		715-233-1070 Noelle Johnson
Young Artist Workshop	Day camp; includes dance, painting & music.	St. Norbert College & Syble Hopp	July 6-23	920-336-5754

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Camp Sandy Wheels	Ages 5 & up having a physical disability. Take their 9 county area residents first. cpmideastwi@vbe.com	Wautoma, WI	August 2-8 August 9-15	800-261-1895 Lynnae
Cerebral Palsy Inc. Summer Transition	Provides teens that have severe disabilities, with recreational activities while beginning to transition into adult services.			
Challenge Camp of ADHD Chil- dren	Day camp for children with ADHD ages 9-13. Helps youth to improve self-esteem, listening & friendship skills. Also learn impulse control.	Oconomowoc, WI	July 6-24 July 27-August 14	800-767-4411 ext. 293
Easter Seals Camp Waw- beek & Respite Camp	For people ages 7-40+ with all levels of physical & cognitive disabilities. Respite camp is a year-round for children ages 3 & up. \$1,350 Scholarships available. www.eastersealswisconsin.com	Wisconsin Dells, WI	June 14-July 31	800-422-2324 ext. 105
Camp Matawa	Residence camp for youth with disabilities ages 7-15. Any disability as long as it's not too severe. Scholarships available.	Campbellsport, WI		262-626-2149 Jean Feltz
Junior Warhawk Wheelchair Athletics	Basketball camp for youth with physical disabilities. Camp fees range from \$350-\$450.	Whitewater, WI	June 13-18	800-622-0350
Muscular Dystrophy Assoc. Camp	Camp for persons with neuro- muscular disease ages 6-21.	Green Lake, WI	June 14-19	920-499-4571 Carolynne
WI Badger Camp	Camp for children & adults with developmental disabilities. Financial assistance available. Residential camp. \$600-\$1,200 www.badgercamp.org	Southwestern Wisconsin	June 1-August 16	608-348-9689
Wisc. Lions Camp	For youth with mild cognitive disabilities, diabetes, hearing or vision loss. Adult camps also. Residential camp. \$25 refundable fee <a href="mailto:info@wisconsinlionscamp.org">info@wisconsinlionscamp.org</a>	Rosholt, WI	June 7-August 21	715-677-4761
YMCA Stevens Point	Timber Top Camp. Residential camp for youth with learning disabilities ages 8-13. General public \$390. Financial assistance available.  www.glacerhollow.com	Portage County Wisconsin	July 19-25	715-342-2980 ext. 308, Pete

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Ashwaubenon Parks & Rec.	Program for youth with disabilities; Ashwaubenon residents only. Parkview Middle School. Field trips.	920-492-2331
Camp Listings	www.wisconline.com/attractions & www.kidscamps.com	
Green Bay Parks & Rec.	Special population summer program. 9-week program. June 15-Aug. 13; 11:30-4:30; \$50. No transportation provided. Resident; ambulatory; ages 6-18. Alternates between Fisk & Colburn Parks. Pre-registration required.	920-448-3365; Pat
Miracle League Baseball	Any child ages 4-19 with a mental or physical challenge who may be otherwise unable to play baseball, from anywhere in the northeastern Wisconsin area. League starts June 6. Games are played Tues., Wed., & Thur. from 5:30-7 p.m. Resch Miracle Field, Allouez.  www.greenbaymiracleleague.com	920-497-2298; Paul Liegeois
Special Olympics	Sports activities for youth with cognitive disabilities; year-round.	920-497-2422
Wisconsin Parks	www.wiparks.net	888-936-7463
Youth Adaptive Sports Assoc. Y.A.S.A.	Recreation activities for youth with physical disabilities.	920-680-2991
Cerebral Palsy Center	OT, PT, speech therapy all year. Summer speech therapy groups for school age children.	920-337-1122
Challenge the Out- doors	Hunting & fishing opportunities for people with disabilities.	920-525-1123
Country Kids	OT, PT, speech therapy all year. Horseback riding in summer. West DePere.	920-339-0700
Fishing Has No Boundaries	Specialized fishing events for people with disabilities.	800-243-3462
Fishing License	Wisconsin residents are eligible for a discount on their fishing license fee.	

If you would like to receive this newsletter via email, please send me your email address and I will be happy to send it to you this way:

www.laurie.huck@fdlco.wi.gov

Newsletter forms to submit an article could also be emailed to you.



To submit an article for the "Unsung Hero" or "Want Ad" sections of the newsletter, please contact your Service Coordinator or Laurie Huck (929-3571) and we will supply you with the appropriate form. All items to be included in the newsletter must be submitted on the appropriate form.

Deadline to submit items for the Summer newsletter is May 8th.

Thank you for your cooperation!

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## **Resources**



#### **Disability Education**

"Avenues to Understanding" is a disability awareness educational program for children and



young adults, made available through the Easter Seals of Wisconsin. Printed materials including lesson plans, activities guides, and handouts, are available for download free of charge to public and private schools, early childhood programs, and any faith and community based organizations interested in promoting disability awareness among their students/members. If you would like to help educate people on behalf of your child, please share this information with groups that can use it. More information

on "Avenues to Understanding" can be obtained at <a href="http://wi.easterseals.com">http://wi.easterseals.com</a>, or by contacting info@wi.easterseals.com



#### It's time to get your applications in for summer camps!!!

Following is a new camp not included in the list of camps on pages 4-6 of this newsletter:

Moon Beach

August 16-22, 2009

near St. Germain

A UCC camp at the Camp AweSum site, offering an Autism Spectrum Family Camp this year for families of persons with ASDs regardless of age or functioning level. The staff at Moon Beach support all, and after 4 years hosting Camp AweSum they've come to know/embrace the community of persons with ASDs. For more information <a href="https://www.ucci.org">www.ucci.org</a> or call 715-479-8255.



#### Movin' Out, Inc.

#### **Home Rehab Assistance**

Movin' Out, Inc. offers assistance to people who own their own home and have at least one family member (adult or child) with a permanent disability living with them. Funds can be used to fix up the home, make it safer, and/or more accessible. Funding is given as a "forgivable loan". No repayment is necessary if the family remains in the home for five years. There are income limits to receive assistance. More information and applications can be obtained by calling 877-861-6746 ext.7, or at <a href="https://www.movin-out.org">www.movin-out.org</a>



#### Respite

Did you know that Cerebral Palsy of Mideast Wisconsin runs <u>Saturday respites at the ARC in Fond du Lac?</u>
Upcoming respites are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on March 14, March 28, & April 25. Preregistration is a must. Applications or more information can be obtained by contacting Patty at (920) 424-4073.

## Resources continued

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WI Family Assistance Center for Education, Training and Support (Wisconsin FACETS)

### **School Supports**

Providing opportunities to enhance the quality of life for children and adults with disabilities and their families.

#### WI FACETS is a

nonprofit organization that can help parents and professionals understand the special education process, and their rights and responsibilities within that process. They provide FREE support and advocacy, as well group and telephone workshops. Their website is full of information on special education rights/responsibilities, IEPs, transitioning to adulthood, self advocacy, and more. You can access information at <a href="https://www.wifacets.org">www.wifacets.org</a>, or by calling 877-374-4677.

You may also access this newsletter and previous newsletters on the County website at <a href="https://www.fdlco.wi.gov">www.fdlco.wi.gov</a> Click on "Departments;" then "Depts. N-Z;" then "DSS;" then "CLTS Services" You will find a link for the newsletter there.